Deputy President.—Any more in connection with this ?

Teachers.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Sir, I wish to move that *"This Council recommends to the Government that the minimum pay of teachers of the Education Department be Rs. 20."*

Deputy President.—Is that the next subject in the order?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar.—It comes in there.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—I have a suggestion to make that the question of the low paid subordinates may be fully disposed off, because there is the question of Provident Fund, and there is the question of State Life Insurance.

Deputy President.—I shall follow the order of the report.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—That is what is being done now.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—As regards pay, it is in paragraph 43.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—" Additional privileges to inferior servants " in para 44. Under that comes " full pension, &c.,"

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—We have got various things before that. We are putting the things in the order.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—But we have not finished the whole of 43—pay of inferior officers and servants.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—I have no objection, if 43 is to be exhausted. What has been suggested is under 43, 'pay of inferior officers and servants'. We have finished 'servants '. Under 'inferior officers' that shall be considered, and we shall come to the additional privileges.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—I don t wish to make a long speech on this matter. The teachers' minimum pay should be raised to Rs. 20. The Party has considered this question, and they have adopted this as a Party question. I don't think anybody would deny that the persons to whom our young children are entrusted should be persons on right lines.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—I second it.

Mrs. G. Pavitran.—I support that resolution.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—The question may be put.

Deputy President.—In the case of passed hands or unpassed hands ?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—It must apply to Vernacular as well as Anglo-vernacular teachers whether passed or unpassed without any difference.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—If they are teachers, they must be given. It is the Department's lookout to give proper teachers.

The motion that the minimum pay of teachers should be Rs. 20 was put and agreed to.

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